

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

File 661095

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Brown-Madron House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Nesbitt Road 1/4 mile east of Love Run Road

CITY, TOWN

Colora

X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
☒ ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

John L Madron

Telephone #: 658-6908

STREET & NUMBER

831 Nesbitt Road

CITY, TOWN

Colora

X VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21917

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk, of the circuit Court

Liber #: RR C 12
Folio #: 353

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil Coiunt, courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE
Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Brown-Madron House c. 1840 and c. 1900 is a combination of two house types built at these approximate dates. The c. 1840 house is a two story two bay by one room stuccoed fieldstone structure set into the side of a hill so the south basement wall is exposed. The 1900 house abetts the east gable end of the stone house and is a two story three bay by two room hall/parlor weatherboard frame house that dominates the earlier building. Both structures faces south with an east/west main gable orientation. The property is on the northeast corner of the intersection of Love Run Road and Nesbitt Road.

The fieldstone house naturally rests on a fieldstone foundation which is fully exposed on the south and west sides. The medium sloped comp. tile roof has a boxed cornice and plain bargeboard.

The south elevation has two openings on each floor. A basement door and adjacent replaced window occupy the first floor openings. Two single pane sash light the floors above with the third floor windows a bit smaller.

The west gable end has two single pane sash on each floor with wooden lintels. A segmental brick arch appears at eye-level and probably is the arch to a bake oven. The windows flank the interior end chimney which is laid in brick above the roofline.

Two storys are all that appear of the north side with a similar arrangement of windows.

The c. 1900 frame addition is not alligned with the stone section and is staggered back from the south wall. This was done to allow for access to the main floor of the stone house from the front porch of the frame house. A four panel door is found on the plain door frame.

Interiors were only seen from the outside. A large cooking fireplace is naturally against the west basement wall. A plain shelf is supported by scrolled brackets. The rest of the stone house was not seen, but extensively remodeled on the main floor and room above.

The two story three bay by two room frame house also rests on a fieldstone foundation and is sheathed with aluminum over weatherboards. The medium sloped seamed tin roof has extended eaves and sloped soffits. The frame house is a half story taller than the stone section.

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The south elevation is basically symmetrical with a central entrance and flanking 2/2 sash windows. The second floors have two 2/2 sash directly over the first floor openings. The first floor as mentioned is covered with a shed roof porch supported by turned support posts with a turned baluster railing between.

The east gable end has two openings on each floor and two attic windows that flank the interior end brick stove stack. A hipped roof entry covers the northern bay of the first floor for protection of the side entrance.

The back of the house is primarily the same with a few fenestration changes due to the remodeling of the kitchen which occupies the back of the house. The first floor has been extensively remodeled with plain naturally finished woodwork.

A single story box frame barn stands east of the house and on the same axis as the main house. An earthen ramp entrance is on the north side and a shed extends off the south side.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The tall narrow two story stone house with exposed basement is an unusual architectural form for the area. This structure probably dates to the second quarter of the 19th century like most houses of its type in other parts of the county. Construction details also point to the same date. The adjacent frame house is a more typical two story three bay house that is found scattered throughout the county. The stone house appears on both historical maps; in 1858 A. T. Kitchen was designated at this location and in 1877 John Brown, Sr. was owning the house. He appears on the Patron List as a stonemason from New Castle County, Delaware and having Cecil County residence since 1832. He was owning 20 acres and his son John Brown, Jr. owned 23 acres and lived next door. He was also a stone mason.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul B. Touart

ORGANIZATION

Cecil Coiunt coiurthouse

DATE

11/09/81

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

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Rising Sun Area